GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the instructions for Reservation in promotion, prescription of lower Qualifying marks/Lesser standard to Evaluation issued by the Department of Personnel and Training vide office memorandum No. 36012/23/96.Estt.(RES)Vol.II dated October 3, 2000 for provision to Article 335 incorporated in the Constitution by the Constitution's 82 Amendment Act, 2000 have been implemented by the Railways;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of officers/staff in various categories are likely to be benefitted thereby; and

(d) if not, the steps taken by the Railways to implement the same with retrospective effect?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. As per the proviso to Article 335 incorporated through Constitution(Eighty-second Amendment) Act, 2000 and on receipt of Office Memorandum dated 3.10.2000, from Department of Personnel and Training, instructions have been issued vide Railway Board's letter dated 12.12.2000 to all the Zonal Railways/Production Units and the organisations under the control of Ministry of Railways for restoration of relaxations/concessions in the matters of promotion to candidates belonging to SC/ST category by way of lower qualifying marks/lesser standards of evaluation which existed prior to 27.3.2000. As such all the SC/ST staff eligible for relaxation/concession will be benefited in the selections made on or after 3.10.2000.

(d) Does not arise.